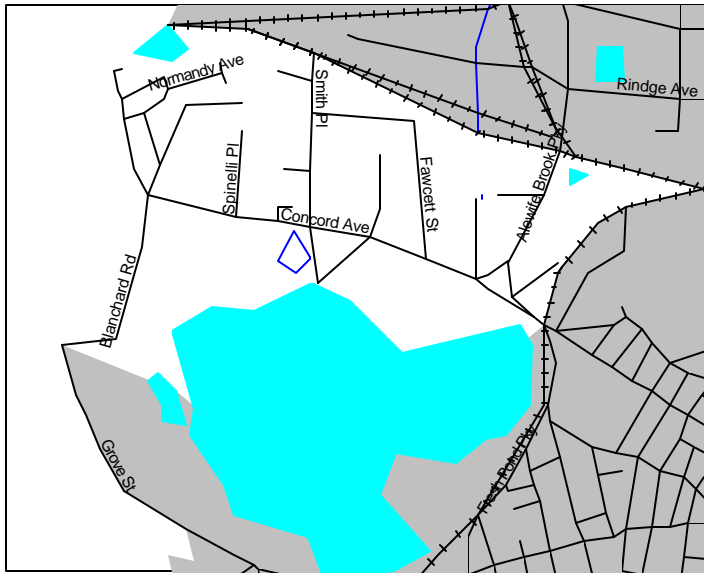
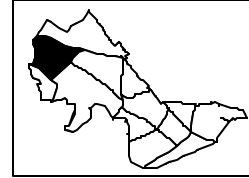


NEIGHBORHOOD 12

HIGHLANDS



BOUNDARIES: bordered by the B&M Railroad, the Belmont line, and Fresh Pond.

POPULATION: 673 residents
281 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
\$37,125

Neighborhood #12 is encompassed within the patrol boundaries of Car 4 (2 officers) and Car 13R (1 officer). Also included is walking route 12C.

COMPARISON OF 2ND Q. TARGET CRIME STATISTICS, 1999 - 2003

CRIME	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Housebreaks	1	0	0	0	2
Street Robbery	0	0	0	1	1
Auto Theft	2	5	8	5	1
Larceny from MVs	15	9	7	6	14
Malicious Destruction	6	11	6	12	14
Drug Arrests	1	1	1	1	1

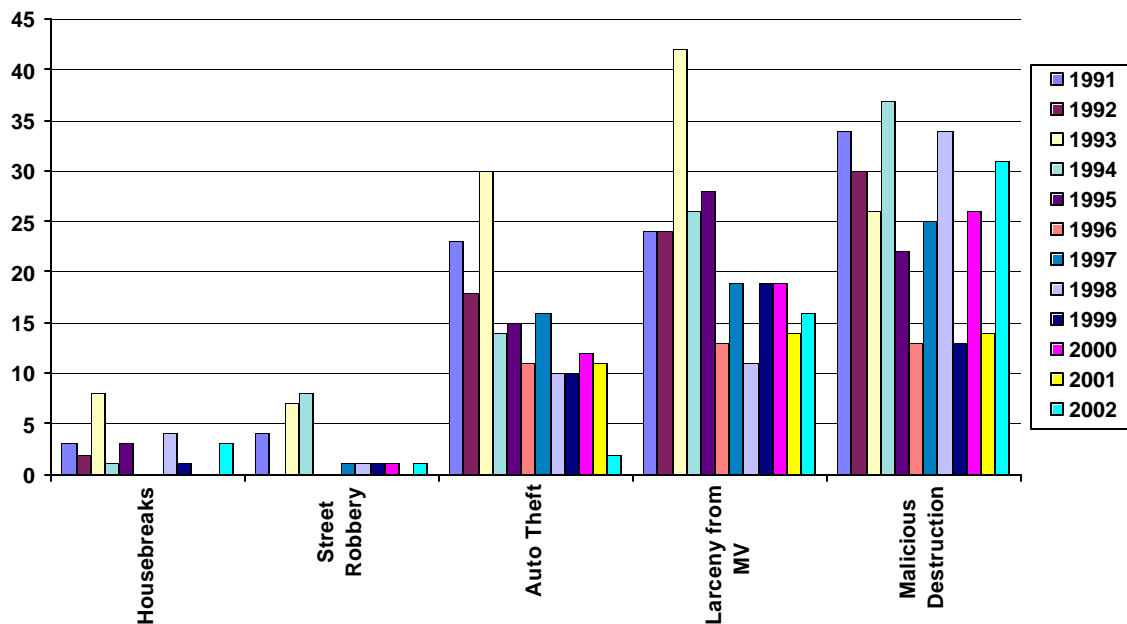
2003 SECOND QUARTER IN REVIEW

There were two **housebreaks** reported in the Highlands in the first six months of 2003. Both of these incidents were at the same residence on Concord Ave with the suspect being an acquaintance of the occupant. Over the past five and a half years, there have been only eight housebreaks registered in Neighborhood #12. The lone **street robbery** in this area occurred late on a Friday night in the parking lot of the Fresh Pond Cinema in June. The victim was approached outside of the theater by four suspects who strong-armed him of his cell phone. Since 1998, five street robberies have been recorded in the Highlands neighborhood. Both of the **aggravated assaults** in this area in 2003 were traffic related altercations on Alewife Brook Parkway that escalated into road rage incidents. **Larcenies from motor vehicles** increased by eight incidents when compared with the first six months of 2002. All but one of the thefts from vehicles were from lots on Alewife Brook Parkway. The major temporal trend identified points to weekend nights between the hours of 9PM and midnight. The sole **drug arrest** was conducted by the SIU and involved information provided by a confidential informant. The theft of a construction vehicle from New Street in June was the only **auto theft** in the Highlands in the first six months of 2003.

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

Cambridge Highlands' minuscule population makes for very little residential criminal activity in the neighborhood. In addition to 281 households, the Highlands' border encompasses the Fresh Pond Mall, the northern part of Fresh Pond, and a number of warehouses. Most crime here is commercial, and is covered in the business district profiles.

- Cambridge Highlands vies with Strawberry Hill for the lowest index crime totals in the city. For all index crimes this decade, it has ranked twelfth or thirteenth out of the 13 neighborhoods.
- **Auto theft, larceny from motor vehicles, and malicious destruction** has sometimes become a problem in the Fresh Pond Mall and Fresh Pond Cinema parking lot. Mall security, however, has drastically reduced such incidents in recent years—almost to the point of statistical insignificance. Small patterns of automobile related crimes have been known to emerge on Smith Place and Mooney Street.
- **Larcenies from Persons** exhibits some patterns around the Fresh Pond Mall and the Fresh Pond Cinema, where pocketpickers use the darkness of the theater to conceal their crimes.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR HIGHLANDS AREA TARGET CRIMES

Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2002*
Housebreaks	6	13	3	13	12
Street Robbery	8	12	3	13	12
Auto Theft	54	11	16	11	13
Larceny from MVs	38	12	23	12	12
Malicious Destruction	28	12	26	12	10

*Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest